

Response Under 37 CFR 1.116 Expedited Procedure 1 Examining Group.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant

: Jurg Tschopp

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For

: APRIL- A NOVEL PROTEIN WITH GROWTH

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Examiner

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the January 15, 2002 Final. Office Action in the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant petitions herewith for a two(2)-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action. With the extension, a response is due on or before June 15, 2002. A check in the amount of \$400, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

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